

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY MANILA  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L PEKING 0680

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDIP CH RP US  
SUBJ: U.S. ATTENDANCE AT PRC STATE FUNCTIONS

REF: MANILA 4014

1. PRC EMBASSY ACTION IN REQUESTING EXCLUSION OF AMBASSADOR NEWSOM FROM STATE DINNER FOR LI HSIEN-NIEN FITS WITH PRACTICE HERE. USLO CHIEF IS NOT INVITED TO PRC STATE DINNERS, NOR DOES HE TAKE PART IN SIMILAR PROTOCOL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS WELCOMING STATE LEADERS AT AIRPORT CEREMONIES. THIS HAS NEVER PREVENTED FRIENDLY INTERCHANGE WITH PRC OFFICIALS ON OTHER OCCASIONS. FOR THE PRC GOVERNMENT, HOWEVER, WHICH IS A STICKLER FOR PROTOCOL, LACK OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BARS US PARTICIPATION IN "STATE" FUNCTIONS.

2. ON OCCASION USLO CHIEF HAS RECEIVED INVITATION TO RETURN BANQUETS SPONSORED BY VISITING FOREIGN HEADS OF STATE. THESE INVITATIONS, OF COURSE, MAY NOT HAVE BEEN CLEARED WITH THE CHINESE. IN ANY CASE, IT HAS BEEN USLO PRACTICE NOT TO ACCEPT SUCH INVITATIONS.

3. WE ASSUME OTHER AMBASSADORS EXCLUDED FROM MARCOS BANQUET LIKewise REPRESENT COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE NO DIPLOMATIC  
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